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## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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1. The following daily schedule was in force in the 51st Engineer Brigade<sup>1</sup> during the year 1953:

## a. Weekday schedule:

0500	- reveille
0505 - 0520	- morning calisthenics
0525 - 0600	- cleaning billets
0600 - 0700	- breakfast
0700 - 0730	- political information (Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays)
0700 - 0830	- political education (Tuesdays, Saturdays)
0700 - 1200	- military training (Thursdays)
0745 - 1200	- military training (Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays)
0845 - 1200	- military training (Tuesdays, Saturdays)
1200 - 1400	- lunch period
1400 - 1700	- military training
1700 - 1730	- weapons and equipment cleaning
1730 - 1815	- dinner time
1830 - 2000	- cultural mass activities
2000 - 2015	- roll call
2100 -	- daily bulletin
2100 - 2200	- cleaning of uniforms, shoes, and billets
2200	- lights out

- b. Saturday afternoons are reserved for cleaning billets and weapons. Saturday ends with the reading of daily bulletin at 17.00 hours.

- c. There is no military training on Sundays but soldiers have to take part in work brigades every other Sunday.

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## 2. Mass cultural activities:

- a. Every soldier must become a member of one of several cultural circles, e.g., music, singing, art, chess, reading, cartoons and sketches, etc. These circles are supervised by the political officers. They are held in special political enlightenment rooms (politicko-vychovne svetnice - P.V.S.).
- b. In the reading circle, members are urged to compete for the Fucik badge (Fucikuv odznak - F.O.). The badge is a white star portraying Fucik's head and is worn on the left breast. To acquire the badge the member must read 15 books, of which 10 are selected by the political officer and the remainder may be chosen by the reader. After reading the books the member appears before a board consisting of three political officers who examine him on the contents of the books; if he passes, he is awarded the badge and the award is published in the daily bulletin.

## 3. Passes; leave; pay:

- a. Passes for the garrison area, which covers a circle of 10 km. radius, are issued by company commanders. Passes can be issued only for Wednesday and Saturday evenings and for Sundays. On Wednesdays only NCOs and exemplary soldiers are allowed to get time off. On Saturdays and Sundays it is possible for nearly all the soldiers to get a pass.
- b. A serviceman can get five days of leave in one year. The leave is a privilege and not a right.
- c. Since the monetary reform, the following pay scale has been in force:

private	70 Kcs. monthly
private 1st class	80 Kcs. monthly
corporal	92 Kcs. monthly
sergeant	105 Kcs. monthly.

Three cigarettes of the cheapest brand were issued to every enlisted man daily.

A regular NCO, i.e. professional soldier, receives 800 Kcs. monthly plus uniform, underwear, and shoes.

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